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## What is claimed is:

1. A home-delivery method for a receiver to receive a parcel, comprising the steps of:

registering consignment information of the parcel to be received by the receiver in a home-delivery server;

transmitting parcel information from the home-delivery server to a receiver's terminal after the consignment information is registered in the home-delivery server and before the parcel is delivered;

receiving information by the home-delivery server, the information being about a day, a time and a consignment relay station that the receiver designates for receiving the parcel; and

delivering a collected parcel to the consignment relay station that is designated by the receiver.

- 2. The home-delivery method according to claim 1, wherein the parcel information includes information about contents, weight and dimensions of the parcel, and the receiver designates the consignment relay station by selecting a place for receiving a parcel from a group including at least the receiver's home and working place.
- The home-delivery method according to
   claim 1, wherein the registering step includes

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the steps of transmitting a map of the area selected by the receiver to the receiver's terminal from the home-delivery server, and selecting a consignment relay station displayed on the receiver's terminal by the receiver.

- 4. The home-delivery method according to claim 3, wherein information about a privilege is displayed, the privilege being given to the receiver when the receiver receives the parcel at the designated day and time in the displayed consignment relay station.
- 5. A home-delivery server used in a home-delivery system for a receiver to receive a parcel, comprising:

a database for registering consignment information about the parcel to be transmitted to the receiver;

means for transmitting parcel information

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information is registered in the home-delivery
server and before the parcel is delivered;

means for receiving information about a day, a time and a consignment relay station that the receiver designates for receiving the parcel; and

means for instructing the consignment relay station designated by the receiver to deliver the parcel.

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claim 5, further comprising means for transmitting a map including a consignment relay station in the area selected by the receiver for the receiver to designate a consignment relay station.

- 7. The home-delivery server according to claim 5 or claim 6, further comprising means for informing the receiver of a message at a timing before the day and time designated by the receiver, the message being for inviting the receiver to receive the parcel.
- 8. A computer-readable recording medium storing a program executed by a computer in a home-delivery system for a receiver to receive a parcel, the program comprising the steps of:

registering consignment information in a database of a home-delivery server;

transmitting parcel information to a receiver's terminal after the consignment information is registered in the database and before the parcel is delivered;

receiving information about a day, a time and a consignment relay station that the receiver designates for receiving the parcel;

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instructing the consignment relay station designated by the receiver to deliver the parcel.